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STATEMENT (37 CFR 1.68, DOE/NASA)

The undersigned declare:

That I (we) made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application:

Serial Number 09/939,591, filed in the United States of America on August 28, 2001, entitled "CORROSION RESISTING AND WEAR RESISTING ALLOY AND DEVICE USING THE SAME".

I. (For Inventors Employed by an Organization) That I (we) made and conceived this invention while employed by Hitachi, Ltd. & Hitachi Kyowa Engineering Co., Ltd. That the invention is related to the work I am (we are) employed to perform and was made within the scope of my (our) employment duties; That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of Hitachi, Ltd. & Hitachi Kyowa Engineering Co., Ltd.

That to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief:

II. The invention was not made or conceived in the course of, or in connection with, or under the terms of any contract, subcontract or arrangement entered into with or for the benefit of the United States Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) or its successors; Energy Research and Development Administration (ERDA) or the Department of Energy (DOE).

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III. The invention was not made (conceived or first actually reduced to practice) under nor is there any relationship of the invention to the performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

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IV. The invention was not made under contract with the Power Reactor and Nuclear Development Corporation (PNC). Hitachi, Ltd. & Hitachi Kyowa Engineering Co., Ltd. of Japan are PNC Cooperators under the Agreement for Cooperation on Technical Development of Fast Breeder Reactors under the Arrangement between USAEC (now ERDA) and PNC of March 4, 1969.

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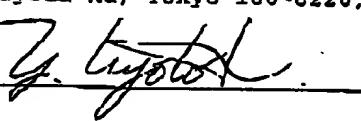
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